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Secret 9/11 Detentions Upheld

Court rejects request to review holding of 700 foreigners

WASHINGTON | The Supreme Court said Monday it would not second-guess the government's holding in secret hundreds of foreigners after the Sept. 11 attacks.

None of the more than 700 illegal immigrants was charged as a terrorist, and the Justice Department's inspector general concluded last year that the government had trampled on a law stipulating such detentions be limited to 90 days.

The high court turned down a request to review the secrecy surrounding the detainees, nearly all Arabs or Muslims, who were picked up in the United States following the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Most were eventually deported for immigration violations. The government refused to disclose whom it held and why.

The court's action, taken without comment, was a victory for the Bush administration.

Civil liberties and media organizations had sought access to the names and other basic information about the detainees.

A federal appeals court had sided with the administration and its argument that knowing the names or details of the arrests would give terrorists a window on the post-Sept. 11 terror investigation.

By refusing to hear the case, the Supreme Court allowed that ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia to stand. ANNE GEARAN (AP)

MILESTONES | A ROYAL SEND-OFF



TOBY MELVILLE/REUTERS

QUEEN-SIZED: Fireworks explode to honor the Queen Mary 2, the largest cruise liner ever built, as it departs Monday from Southampton, England. The 150,000-ton vessel will travel 14 days to its destination, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. About 2,600 passengers paid up to \$48,000 apiece for the trip.

U.S. Treasury Seeks O'Neill Investigation

WASHINGTON | The U.S. Treasury Department is seeking an investigation into whether "60 Minutes" showed a classified document in an interview on Sunday in which former Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill spoke out against the Bush administration.

Treasury spokesman Rob Nichols said Monday the department asked the Office of Inspector General to look into the matter.

O'Neill is described as a principal source for "The Price of Loyalty," a new book by former Wall Street Journal reporter Ron Suskind, who drew on interviews with O'Neill as well as 19,000 documents O'Neill provided.

O'Neill contends the United States began laying the groundwork for an invasion of Iraq just days after Bush took office in 2001, more than two years before the start of the war.

Suskind told "60 Minutes" O'Neill had received briefing material on Iraq. "There are memos," he said. "One of them, marked secret, says 'Plan for post-Saddam Iraq.'"

A spokesman for "60 Minutes" said a cover sheet of the briefing materials was shown, but he denied CBS possessed or aired a secret document. JEANNINE AVERSA (AP)

CRIME | Pocket Pythons A Greenwich, N.J., man who police say stole two snakes from a pet shop was bitten by one of the reptiles as he drove home from the store. The tiger python snakes were not poisonous, and the 20-year-old man, whom police declined to identify, did not seek

treatment for the bite to his groin area. Police said the man took the snakes last week, slipping them into canvas bags he had rigged in his pants pockets. As the man headed home, one of the snakes wriggled out of the bag, wrapped itself around his leg and bit him. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

EyeOpeners



AARON HARRIS/CPI/AP

TECHNOLOGY My Professor, The Cyborg

Steve Mann likes seeing the world through different eyes — one his own, one a computer screen. Mann, a 41-year-old engineering professor at the University of Toronto, spends most of his days with a lens over his right eye that is hooked to a miniature computer and a small video camera that provides him with information and a recordable, real-time view of the world around him. Mann says such personal technology will become the wave of the future. "People feel they're masters of their own destiny when everything they need is right there with them," he said. (AP)

TRAVEL

Pooch Problem

An Italian woman was arrested for allowing her dog to run throughout the cabin during a Saturday flight from Switzerland to Italy, the airline, Swiss, said Monday. The woman, who wasn't identified, had refused several requests by cabin staff to put the dog into a special compartment for pets, said spokesman Jean-Claude Donzel, confirming a report on the Web site of the Switzerland-based daily Blick. Her refusals led to confrontations with other passengers and prompted the pilot to ask police to meet the plane in Rome. Swiss allows animals to travel in the cabin of planes if they are small enough to be kept in a bag. Only one animal is allowed per flight. (AP)

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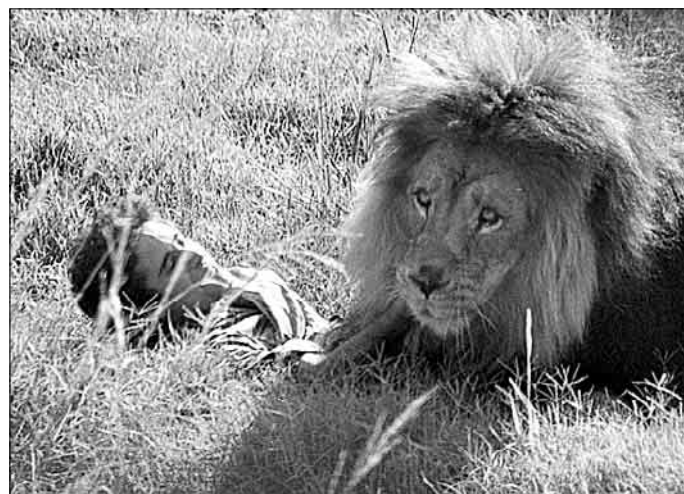
Power, Principle

Police in Tokyo have nabbed two Japanese men for diverting electricity in heists worth less than 1 cent each, an official said Sunday. A 38-year-old man was caught red-handed by a patrolling police officer in September after unplugging the neon sign of a business and using the freed up electricity to recharge his mobile phone. The other culprit, a 22-year-old university student, was giving a street performance in November when he unplugged a vending machine to power his portable stereo. A police officer was alerted after residents complained about the noise. Both men confessed and have gotten off with reprimands. (AP)

WAR ON DRUGS Crack Call

A Panama City, Fla., woman seeking to buy crack cocaine called the wrong numbers, but still tried to buy the drug from the people she had mistakenly called, police said. Tara Jo Curtis, 29,

was arrested Saturday at the No Name Lounge and released Sunday from the Bay County Jail under a \$10,000 bond. Someone reported the wrong-number calls and investigators arranged a controlled sale of fake crack to nab her, police said. (AP)



CARLOS GARAY/AP

ANIMAL WATCH

Lion in the Grass

The story of 22-year-old Lucas Tomas has at least two unbelievable elements. First, that Tomas climbed into the lion pit at the zoo in downtown Buenos Aires, Argentina, on Sunday to hold out his jacket as if it were a bullfighter's cape in front of one of the lions. Second, that he survived. Tomas had a couple of lighter moments with the animals as well; he's pictured above lying next to a lion named Quique. Officials say Tomas is recovering from minor injuries resulting from the incident. (EXPRESS)

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U.S. Tepid On Bush Space Plan

WASHINGTON | President Bush's plan to build a space station on the moon and eventually send astronauts to Mars hasn't grabbed the public's imagination, an Associated Press poll suggests.

More than half in the poll said it would be better to spend the money on domestic programs rather than on space research.

Asked whether they favored the United States expanding the space program the way Bush proposes, people were evenly split, with 48 percent favoring the idea and the same number opposing it, according to the poll conducted for the AP by Ipsos-Public Affairs.

Most respondents said they support sending humans into space.

However, given the choice of spending money on programs like education and health care or on space research, 55 percent said they wanted domestic programs. Based on previous estimates for a moon-Mars initiative, the costs would run in the hundreds of billions of dollars. WILL LESTER (AP)

MOURNING | MOMENTARY COMFORT



A HARROWING JOURNEY: Brittany Phelps is comforted by a family member during a funeral in Calhoun, Ga., on Monday for Tom and Nola Blaylock, their daughter, Georgia Bradley, and their infant granddaughter, Harley Jones, who were murdered Wednesday. Phelps was one of the three children kidnapped by her mother's ex-boyfriend after he allegedly killed Phelps's four relatives.

Conn. Governor Urged to Resign

John Rowland, under fire for accepting gifts, says he won't step down

HARTFORD, CONN. | Gov. John G. Rowland came under increased pressure to resign Monday as a prominent GOP congressman called on him to step down and a new poll indicated nearly two-thirds of voters want him out of office.

Six more GOP state senators urged the Republican governor to resign for accepting gifts from friends, employees and a state contractor at his summer cottage. Eleven of the state's 15 Republican senators have now asked that he step down.

Rep. Christopher Shays said he had been prepared to forgive Rowland, who had initially denied accepting the gifts and then admitted lying about it.

"But I am not prepared to stand by a governor, even a friend, who has done wrong, lied about it and then refused to account for his actions," said Shays, a nine-term congressman.

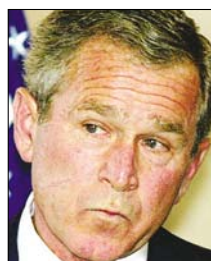
The governor is "disappointed on a personal level" by the calls for him to resign, said Dean Pagani, Rowland's chief of staff and spokesman. He said Rowland remains committed to finishing his third term, which expires in three years.

Rowland has admitted accepting gifts from several politically appointed state employees, including a former aide who pleaded guilty to federal charges that he took bribes to steer state contracts.

A University of Connecticut poll found 63 percent of state residents think Rowland should resign, compared to 58 percent in a similar poll released last week. SUSAN HAIGH (AP)

BY THE NUMBERS: Some 55% of Americans oppose President Bush's plan allowing some illegal immigrants to work in the U.S. for several years, a CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll said Monday. (AP)

HEARSAY | PLANNING AHEAD?



"Like the previous administration, we were for regime change. ... And then all of a sudden, September the 11th hit."

— PRESIDENT BUSH

RESPONDING TO ALLEGATIONS BY FORMER TREASURY SECRETARY PAUL O'NEILL THAT BUSH WANTED TO OUST SADDAM HUSSEIN AT THE BEGINNING OF HIS TERM — BEFORE THE SEPT. 11 ATTACKS.

Publisher Convicted of Aiding Saddam

CHICAGO | A community newspaper publisher accused of spying on Iraqi dissidents in the United States was found guilty Monday of serving as an unregistered agent of Saddam Hussein.

The jury took less than two hours to convict Khaled Dumeisi after the weeklong trial.

Dumeisi, 61, was accused of spying on critics of the Baghdad regime living in the United States and passing the information along to the Iraqi intelligence service.

He was charged with failing to

register as an agent of the Iraqi government, conspiring to do so, lying to an immigration officer about his ties to Iraq and lying to a grand jury.

Dumeisi was not charged with espionage or accused of terrorism. The charges carry a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

During his closing argument, Dumeisi's lawyer urged jurors not to let his client's outspoken admi-

ration for Saddam rush them into a conviction.

"Reaching a verdict of not guilty does not in any way endorse his very dubious opinions," John Murphy said. "Quite frankly, I don't like them either."

Prosecutors charge that Palestinian-born Dumeisi spied on Iraqi dissidents partly because he was desperate for money and partly because he admired Hussein as the only Arab leader who strongly supported the Palestinian cause.

MIKE ROBINSON (AP)



Dumeisi

In Brief

BOSTON Groups Seek to Delay Court Ruling Allowing Gay Marriage

Conservative groups asked the state's high court Monday to delay the landmark ruling allowing gay marriage, saying residents and legislators should be able to vote on the issue. The Supreme Judicial Court ruled in November that same-sex couples have a right to marry in the

state, a ruling applauded as a civil rights milestone by gay activists. The court gave the legislature six months to pass a law that complies with the ruling. (AP)

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA. Hose Leak Blamed for Drop In Pressure at Space Station

A leaky hose on the American side of the international space station seems to be the source of the slow drop in cabin pressure over the past three weeks, NASA said

Monday. The air leak began just before Christmas, and NASA has said all along that it was so small that it never endangered the crew or space station operations. (AP)

BATON ROUGE, LA. Blanco Becomes State's First Woman Governor

With a welcoming nod to business, Kathleen Blanco took the oath of office Monday as Louisiana's first woman governor. Blanco said the state is blessed, thanks to its natural

resources, but faces important challenges, including lagging health care and education systems. She pledged to resolve problems in both. (AP)



Kathleen Blanco smiles after taking the oath of office Monday in Baton Rouge, La.

SALT LAKE CITY Utah Civil Rights Lawyer Challenges Ban on Polygamy

Civil rights attorney Brian Barnard challenged Utah's ban on polygamy Monday, citing a Supreme Court ruling that struck down a Texas sodomy law. The lawsuit says Salt Lake County clerks refused a marriage license to a couple because the man was already married to another woman, who had consented to the additional marriage. (AP)

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BUS ACCIDENT | MEDICAL ATTENTION



HOSPITAL-BOUND: Rescue personnel tend to injured school children after their bus flipped over on the way to school Monday morning on Interstate 64 westbound, about 10 miles west of the St. Louis city limits. Twenty-six children and the bus driver were taken to three area hospitals.

Study: Walking Regimen Staves Off Weight Gain

A half-hour stroll could keep overweight people from adding pounds

CHICAGO | Overweight adults who are not on a diet need only a small amount of exercise — the equivalent of a half-hour of brisk walking per day — to prevent further weight gain, a study found.

Participants who got no exercise during the eight-month study gained an average of almost 2.5 pounds. But 73 percent of those who walked 11 miles a week, or about 30 minutes a day, were able to maintain their weight or even lose a few pounds.

The most noticeable weight loss occurred in those who did the most vigorous exercise — jogging about 17 miles weekly. They lost an average of nearly eight pounds over eight months, and also shed more than 10 pounds of body fat and gained about 3 pounds of lean body mass on average.

The study was led by Duke University researchers and involved 120 overweight or mildly obese men and women aged 40 to 65 who were instructed not to diet during the research.

The findings appear in Monday's Archives of Internal Medicine.
 LINDSEY TANNER (AP)

Homeless Man Evicted From Golf Course

MIAMI | A man who lived on a golf course for 40 years was told to leave because some golfers complained that he scared them.

Other golfers said Kenny Bethel is harmless and should be allowed to stay at the Palmetto Golf Course.

Bethel, 55, first showed up at the county-owned course after he ran away from home in 1963. He collected and resold stray golf balls,

used the club's showers and toilets at night and slept in a sheltered area that housed the showers.

For the last nine years, he had been joined by his wife Francis, 43. They have since relocated to a space under a nearby bridge.

According to course managers, Bethel turned down a maintenance job because he wanted to be self-employed. (AP)

In Brief

MIDEAST

Syria Balks at Israeli Leader's Invitation for Peace Talks

Israeli President Moshe Katsav on Monday invited Syrian leader Bashar Assad to Israel for peace talks, but Syria brushed off the offer. The invitation from Katsav, who has only limited political influence as Israel's ceremonial leader, came amid a growing debate among Israeli officials about how to respond to recent peace gestures from Damascus. Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has been skeptical of Syria's motives, saying Assad may be trying to placate Washington in the wake of the U.S. war in Iraq. (AP)

BALKANS

NATO Peacekeepers Call Off Hunt for Fugitive Karadzic

NATO-led peacekeepers wrapped up a three-day search for war crimes suspect Radovan Karadzic on Monday and examined documents discovered during the man-hunt in hopes that they will provide clues to his whereabouts. Dozens of peacekeepers were deployed in Karadzic's one-time stronghold of Pale after troops acted on a tip that he was hiding there and possibly in need of medical care. Authorities searched a clinic, a church and homes, but did not find the former Bosnian Serb rebel leader. (AP)

ICELAND

Overflowing Toilet Cited as Reason BWI Flight Diverted

A British Airways flight from London to Baltimore-Washington International Airport was safely diverted to Iceland Sunday night after smoke was seen in the cabin, the airline said Monday. The Boeing 767 with 165 people aboard had been headed from London's Heathrow airport to Baltimore when the smoke was spotted. British Airways said the smoke apparently was caused by an overflowing toilet. (AP)

Shiite Support Deteriorating in Iraq

Anger, discontent boil over among those long seen as friendly to U.S.

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | The good will of Iraq's Shiite majority, so crucial to the success of U.S. policy, may be eroding. Strong opposition by a top Shiite cleric to key parts of a U.S. political blueprint for Iraq and the spread of violent protests in Shiite areas suggest a dangerous trend.

In a newspaper advertisement published on Monday, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Husseini al-Sistani repeated his opposition to a political agreement signed two months ago between the U.S. administrator in Iraq and the Iraqi

Governing Council. A provisional national assembly due to be formed by the end of May must be elected, not selected from regional caucuses, al-Sistani insisted.

The U.S.-led coalition sought to play down the significance of al-Sistani's latest objections. Dan Senor, a spokesman for the Coalition Provisional Authority, told reporters Monday that implementation of the political accord was still on track.

In Kut, meanwhile, a mainly Shiite city 95 miles southeast of Baghdad, Ukrainian troops fired in the air Monday to disperse about 400 Iraqis who rioted to demand jobs. One Ukrainian soldier, four Iraqi policemen and one protester were wounded. HAMZA HENDAWI (AP)



An Iraqi police officer stands guard over women as U.S. troops search a house near Ramadi for a man they believe is responsible for attacking coalition forces.

JAPAN | RIDES OF PASSAGE



MILESTONES: Women dressed in traditional kimonos celebrate Coming of Age Day on a roller coaster at a Tokyo amusement park Monday. The day is meant to honor those who turn 20, when Japanese legally become adults.

Bush, Fox Try to Mend Split at Americas Summit

Relationship strained by Mexico's refusal to support war in Iraq

MONTERREY, MEXICO | President Bush and Mexican President Vicente Fox forged agreement Monday on the contentious issues of immigration and Iraq, ending two years of discord that followed the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

Fox wholeheartedly embraced Bush's immigration proposal to grant legal status to millions of undocumented workers in the United States, most of them from Mexico. The two leaders also sought to emphasize agreement on postwar Iraq. Fox congratulated Bush for the capture of Saddam Hussein.

The two leaders met before the opening of a 34-nation hemispher-

ic summit dealing with issues such as poverty, trade, corruption and unhappiness in Latin America about new U.S. security measures to combat terrorism.

They were eager to project unity after two rocky years. The Sept. 11, 2001 attacks distracted Bush from the immigration overhaul that Fox had appealed for, and



Fox

relations cooled further when Mexico refused to support the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq.

In a gesture of reconciliation, Bush invited Fox to his Texas ranch March 5-6, and Fox accepted. SCOTT LINDLAW (AP)

From Monterrey: For full coverage of Bush's trip to the Summit of the Americas, see washingtonpost.com/world

U.S. Anti-Terror Team Now in W. Africa

NOUAKCHOTT, MAURITANIA | The United States is expanding anti-terror efforts to the remote reaches of West Africa's Sahara borders, dispatching troops and contractors to help seal the predominantly Islamic region to al Qaeda and its allies.

A U.S. anti-terror team arrived Saturday in the Islamic republic of Mauritania, Deputy Undersecretary of State Pamela Bridgewater told reporters late Sunday.

The small team will be followed in coming months by Army experts

and defense contractors as part of a \$100 million anti-terror initiative for the Saharan nations of Mauritania, Mali, Chad and Niger. The Pan-Sahel Initiative will provide 60 days of military training, as well as Toyota Land Cruisers, radios and uniforms for the border efforts in the countries, officials said. (AP)

SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS: KEY ISSUES

→ **Free trade:** The U.S. wants a firm date for coming up with a Free Trade Area of the Americas accord. But Brazil and Venezuela have resisted, saying the summit is not the place to talk trade.

→ **Corruption:** The U.S. wants to kick corrupt governments out of the Organization of America States,

but many Latin American countries say the plan is too harsh.

→ **Security:** U.S. efforts to fingerprint and photograph arriving foreigners has been criticized as heavy-handed by many countries.

→ **Poverty:** Poverty levels have increased since the last Americas summit in April 2001. (AP)

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Another Tax Plan Offered

Virginia GOP leader's proposal would create \$2.5 billion in revenue

RICHMOND, VA. | The state Senate's top budget writer proposed tax reforms Monday that would boost sales taxes by 1 percent, fully eliminate the car tax by next year and reorder income tax deductions and brackets, generating \$2.5 billion in new money in 2006.

Sen. John H. Chichester, R-Stafford, offered a plan that dwarfs Gov. Mark R. Warner's proposal to boost revenues by \$546 million for 2006.

Chichester's plan contains new tax brackets for the wealthiest taxpayers — boosting the rate to 6.25 percent for filers who earn taxable income of \$100,000 a year and 6.5 percent for those who make \$150,000 or more in taxable income.

It would increase the tax on cigarettes from 2.5 cents per pack to 35 cents, and allow for localities to increase their taxes on cigarettes by an additional 55 cents per pack.

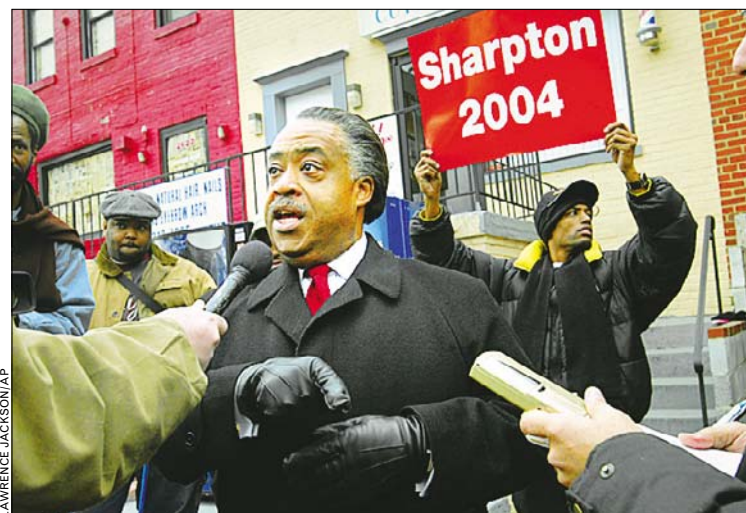
Warner said he had not seen the details of Chichester's plan, but was pleased it had been offered. "It's another attempt to put a solution on the table and I welcome that," Warner said. BOB LEWIS (AP)

District Policing System Faces Major Overhaul

WASHINGTON | Dozens more officers will be deployed in high crime areas of the nation's capital under a police restructuring plan unveiled Monday.

The new plan reduces the number of police service areas, or PSAs, from 83 to 43. Although minimum staffing in each of those areas will be 21 officers a day, those designated "intense crime areas" may have as many as 90 officers assigned to patrol duties.

D.C. Police Chief Charles H.



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Sharpton Lone Big Name In Town on Primary's Eve

WASHINGTON | On the eve of the first 2004 presidential primary, much of the nation's capital was yawning.

Only one well-known candidate — the Rev. Al Sharpton — campaigned Monday in the District of Columbia. The three other recognizable names on Tuesday's ballot — Howard Dean, Carol Moseley Braun and Rep. Dennis Kucinich — were all in Iowa.

"I've supported statehood (for D.C.) for the last 12 years," said Sharpton. "I thought it would be hypocritical if my campaign did not

respect and respond to this as a state primary like any other state."

While D.C.'s primary is nonbinding, local officials said participation by the city's registered Democrats remained critical.

"By establishing our presidential primary as the first primary in the country, we hope to bring attention to the District's lack of voting rights," said Mayor Anthony A. Williams.

CHEVETTA GILMORE (AP)

Election day: For the latest developments in Tuesday's nonbinding D.C. Primary | washingtonpost.com/metro

MOVING IN: The Home Depot said Monday it will open a distribution center in Hagerstown, Md., creating an estimated 230 jobs over the next two years. (AP)

The Lotteries

January 12

DISTRICT	
Mid-day Lucky Numbers	2-2-1
Evening Lucky Numbers	4-8-8
Mid-day DC 4	1-4-9-0
Evening DC 4	2-6-4-1
Quick Cash	35-34-32-11-3-33
Hot Five	6-21-24-9-27

MARYLAND	
Mid-day Pick 3	5-8-3
Evening Pick 3	5-9-4
Mid-day Pick 4	1-3-05
Evening Pick 4	6-4-3-7
Match 5	9-17-24-29-36 Bonus: 16

VIRGINIA	
Mid-day Pick 3	2-2-7
Mid-day Pick 4	0-3-8-2
Mid-day Cash 5	8-17-26-31-34

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a lottery ticket location or a lottery claims office. Drawings that occur after Express's deadline will be published two days later.

The council has 60 days to accept the plan or make recommendations for further revisions.

DERRILL HOLLY (AP)

Money

In Brief

MARKET WATCH

6 Companies Choose to List On Both NYSE and Nasdaq

Six companies currently listed on the New York Stock Exchange have decided to dual-list their stocks on the Nasdaq stock market, increasing the competition between the two equity markets. The listings, unveiled by Nasdaq officials Monday, include computer maker Hewlett-Packard, financial giant Charles Schwab, petroleum firm Apache Corp., electronic design company Cadence Design Systems, financial services company Countrywide Financial and drug-store retailer Walgreen Co. (AP)

LAYOFFS

Disney Shuts Down Studio, Cutting 250 Animator Jobs

The Walt Disney Co. is shuttering its Orlando-based animation studio, cutting about 250 jobs, as the company shifts from hand-drawn animated films to computer-generated features and videos. Some of the employees will be offered jobs in Burbank, Calif., Disney said Monday. The company has been steadily trimming its animation department for the past few years, from a peak of 2,200 employees in 1999 to 600, which are all based in Burbank after Monday's announcement. Disney has shuttered similar animation outposts in Paris and Tokyo, which were opened at the height of the boom in hand-drawn animation. (AP)

Accounting Woes Threaten Adecco

GENEVA | Adecco, the world's largest employment agency, said it couldn't close its books for 2003 because of possible accounting problems, causing its stock to plummet Monday.

The company could not predict when its 2003 results would be available, which sent frightened investors rushing to sell.

Shares of Adecco on the Swiss exchange, which had been down as much as 48 percent, ended the day with a 35.2 percent decline. Its U.S. shares fell 31 percent.

The company had been due to publish its audited annual results on Feb. 4, but said it now did not know when they would be released. A company spokesman declined to give any more information because of the investigation.

The company said its audit and



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The international employment agency is headquartered in Switzerland.

finance committee has appointed an independent counsel to resolve the issue. NAOMI KOPPEL (AP)

Court Awards Louis Vuitton \$38.5M

PARIS | The maker of Louis Vuitton bags, Moët champagne and Hennessy cognac won a court judgment Monday ordering investment bank Morgan Stanley to pay at least \$38.5 million in damages for biased research that hurt LVMH's image and helped its rival Gucci.

In the first major ruling by a European court on conflicts of interest between research and

investment banking services, the Paris commercial court said Morgan Stanley had "considerably prejudiced" LVMH and helped Gucci, Morgan Stanley's own client.

LVMH, whose brands also include the Kenzo and Givenchy fashion lines, argued successfully that Morgan Stanley carried out a three-year campaign of "erroneous and biased information." (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
SilcnGph	2.95	+58	+24.5
MetrisCos	5.60	+82	+17.2
DeltaWh	3.01	+41	+15.8
MGIC	66.59	+7.93	+13.5
NelsnT	23.00	+2.40	+11.7

Losers

IspatIntl	7.40	-79	-9.6
ExprsJet	13.88	-91	-6.2
StarGas	23.48	-1.55	-6.2
IntPoly	12.40	-76	-5.8
LaBrnch	9.28	-57	-5.8

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	4.00	4.00
Fed Funds close	1.00	1.00
3-month	0.85	0.91
2-year	1.66	1.92
10-year	4.09	4.38
30-year	4.98	5.18

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Minorpln rs	2.45	+85	+53.1
MeadowVly	2.75	+85	+44.7
AnlySur	4.10	+1.20	+41.4
CMGI	2.66	+65	+32.3
Innovative	6.44	+1.34	+26.3

Losers

AmEcol	7.40	-98	-11.7
PrmsKn	6.01	-80	-11.7
Simclar	2.31	-28	-10.8
OnyxSft rs	4.18	-50	-10.7
QLT	17.46	-2.08	-10.6

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5416	.5417	.6220
Canadian Dollar	1.2747	1.2715	1.5445
European Euro	.7840	.7786	.9459
Japanese Yen	106.66	106.37	119.21
Mexican Peso	10.8060	10.8230	10.5590
Taiwanese Dollar	33.68	33.77	34.59

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
+26.29	+24.86	+5.37
+0.25	+1.19	+0.48
10485.18	2111.78	1127.23

Biotech Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
Amersham	71.95	+20	+5.4
Amgen	63.03	+03	+2.0
ApplBio	20.26	-57	-2.2
BiogenIdc	41.49	-89	+13.1
Chiron	51.50	-05	-9.6
Genentech	90.65	+82	-3.1
Genzyme	48.39	+11	-1.8
GileadSci	62.85	+47	+7.8
IMS Hlth	25.76	+34	+3.6
Invitrogn	70.06	+70	+2
LabCp	38.66	+50	+4.6
Medlmun	23.16	-16	-8.7
MillPhar	17.83	-37	-4.4
Monsnto	29.02	+24	+8
OstDiag	73.60	+53	+7

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Women Seeking Men

CUTE, ATHLETIC SMART SPF, 25, seeks professional, handsome, financially secure male, 26-31, for friendship, then we'll see what develops. **871828**

SBF, 24, 5'6", 116lbs, slender build, enjoys jazz and just about any kind of fun. Seeking SBM, 21-39, N/S, no children, for LTR. **805837**

SEXY, SPONTANEOUS, ADVENTUROUS SBF, 27, 5'3", light brown eyes, seeks open-minded SWM, 27-35, for relationship, possibly more. **839502**

SINGLE MOM. SEXY, outgoing female, 22, 6', 150lbs, light brown skin, sense of humor, loves basketball, football, video games. Seeking outgoing guy, sense of humor. **828018**

ATTRACTIVE MOM. SBCF, 31, 5'6", HPTW, down-to-earth, honest, hopeless romantic, seeking marriage-minded SCM, with SOH, HPTW, enjoys life, love, family, and wants to build forever. **819822**

SBF, 35, IS in search of a B/H/M, for cuddling, long walks, nights on the town, and more if we make a connection. **678150**

SF, 20, 5'4", 140lbs, black/brown, likes working out, reading, travel, sports, music. Seeking SHM, 21-30, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. **641722**

SWF, 33, ATTORNEY, new to area, tall, blonde/blue-green, Pisces, N/S, sports lover, enjoys traveling and jazz clubs. Seeking tall PM, 34-44, N/S, dog a+. **589833**

OPEN-MINDED, AFFECTIONATE DPF, 37, seeks SWPM, 38+, N/S, mature, intelligent, kind, for romance, leading to commitment and family. **512872**

CHANCE FOR ROMANCE. SBF, 36, 5'3", 165lbs. Educated, affectionate, down-to-earth, feminine, childless. Looking to develop, build, and create the impossible with you, SBPM, 38+, N/S. **495690**

SBF, 32, ATTRACTIVE, intelligent, loves to read, watch movies, bowl, skate, play pool, take long walks. Seeking mature, humorous, family oriented SM. 33-55. **414069**

38-YEAR-OLD SBF, MOTHER, enjoys keeping busy and more. Looking to chill with an independent, honest, affectionate, fun-loving SBM friend for the winter and beyond. Thirsty for life and good times? **884369**

VEGETARIAN NATURE GIRL, 25, caring, honest, fun-loving, down-to-earth, passionate, enjoys walks in the rain, holding hands, cuddling. ISO honest man, for friendship first, possible LTR. **858042**

FORMER MODEL, 27, 5'10", 125lbs, African-American female, seeking male, 35-50, for friendship, fun and travel. **772154**

FEMALE SPORTS FAN. SBF, 37, enjoys working out, travel, cooking. Seeking SBPM, 32-42, N/S, with similar interests. **644991**

NUBIAN PRINCESS. SBPCF, 35, 5'7", H/W proportionate, enjoys weekend trips, park walks, movies, outdoors. Seeking SBCM, 5'11"+, for companionship. **767234**

SWPF, CHRISTIAN, 5'8", blonde/blue, easygoing, flexible, young-at-heart, loves kids (mine are grown). Likes fun and excitement. Seeks WPCM, 40+, for companionship. Possible LTR. **500473**

GENTLE, BROWN-SKINNED WOMAN, 36, radiant smile and natural beauty, seeks kind-hearted, fit gentleman, 37-45, N/S, for nature outings, cultural events, and relaxed conversation. **470350**

SBF, 32, PISCES, N/S, with kids, seeks SM, 32-60, who enjoys traveling, shopping, for dating, and LTR. **293934**

SLENDER, ATTRACTIVE SWF, 29, long blonde hair, loves the arts, literature, history and more. Seeking well-educated, fit, non-smoking S/DWPM, 27-38, 5'8"+, for dating, possible LTR. **855755**

EDUCATED, TRUSTWORTHY, ATTRACTIVE SBPF, 30, 6', enjoys dining out, intelligent conversation more. Seeking highly educated, relationship-oriented SM, 30-40, 6'4", with no children for possible LTR. **832480**

SPONTANEOUS, ENTHUSIASTIC, WITTY, well-rounded, mature SBF, 22, 5'9", very attractive college grad, enjoys the gym, reading, travel. Seeking SBM, 25-32, 6'+, no children, college-educated, attractive, fit, well-mannered. **853960**

SBF, 31, 5'8", 145lbs seeking kind-hearted, honest, down-to-earth SWM, 40-55, for dating and possible LTR. **850317**

PRETTY, EDUCATED, PETITE, blonde, divorcee, 39, passes for 30, seeks sincere, Latin, Middle Eastern or Persian man, 35-50. **843741**

SWF, 20, FULL-FIGURED, likes movies, travel, music, swimming and time with family and friends. Seeking SBM, 20-29, who shares these interests. **807867**

SW TEACHER, 34, is interested in all types of music (especially classical and 80s), and is looking for a man who stays active and cultured. **753605**

SHF, 31, LEO, N/S, 5'7", black/brown, open-minded, enjoys cooking, watching movies, spending time at home, seeks easygoing, fun, open-minded woman, 30-40. **688239**

SBPF, 31, FAIR-SKINNED, feminine, full-figured, with great sense of humor, varied interests. Seeks SPM, 30-40, for friendship, laughs, intelligent conversation, possible LTR. **636668**

SBF, BROWN/BROWN, 5', enjoys movies, walking on the beach. Seeking military SBM, 25-35. For casual dating. **542926**

SOUTHERN GAL, 37 SBF 5'2", down to earth, enjoys concerts, movies, quiet times at home. Seeking SBPM, 35-45, for friendship and possible LTR. **486549**

SBPF, 26, 5'7", 160lbs, seeks tall SPM, 24-30, 6'2"+, with a good sense of humor, for friendship, fun and possible LTR. **389196**

SAPF, 38, SEEKS honest, sincere, good hearted, educated SW/APM, 35-48, N/S, who enjoys nature, music, for LTR. **895164**

EDUCATED SWF, 33, N/S, big green eyes, nice smile, seeks SWM, 27-35, N/S, for LTR. **822484**

JOYFUL AND LOVING SBCF, 39, N/S, N/D, who is an encourager, humorous, ISO faithful SCM, 36-47, N/S, who's ready for friendship leading to possible marriage. **815833**

ARTISTIC DWF, 37, curvaceous, blonde/green seeks another artist or writer who's an unconceited, loving S/DWM, 32-45, who enjoys togetherness. Open conversationalist is a good quality. **804441**

ATTRACTIVE, INTELLIGENT SWF, 37, blonde, with sexy eyes and great legs, down-to-earth, fun-loving, and major football fan. Seeking SBM, 35-43, down-to-earth, for romance, possible LTR. **633699**

SBF, 35, 5'3", high-spirited, full of positive energy, smoker, not afraid to shoot from the hip, seeks BM, 43-55, smoker, independent. **752225**

SBF, 38, SAGITTARIUS, mother, works at nursing home, laid-back, enjoys dining, movies, seeks man, 32-45, for friendship, possible romance. **713900**

SBF, 38, 6', 145lbs, fit, enjoys sports, movies, dining out, and travel. Seeking SWPM with similar interests. **356120**

BLACK BEAUTY, 31, 5'8", professional, retired model, well-read, well-traveled, outspoken, classy, intelligent, French-speaking exotic lady ISO tall, intelligent, secure WM, 35-55. Call now! **648661**

ATTRACTIVE, EDUCATED SBF, 36, Gemini, N/S, seeks WM, 36-40, N/S, who is educated, with no children, for LTR. **452998**

ATTRACTIVE, FULL FIGURED SBF, 28, Leo, non smoker, who enjoys sports, outdoor activities and dancing. Seeking HM, 25-35, with similar interests. For friendship. **453458**

BF, 35, TWO children, looking for a SM, 35-50, 5'10"+, for friendship and conversation first, maybe leading to more. Must like children. **387069**

PRETTY SWF, 34, Leo, N/S, good morals and values, enjoys movies, nature, home life. Seeking Christian man, 33-45, for marriage and future family. **267890**

ATTRACTIVE FEMALE, 5'6", N/S, N/D, H/W proportionate, enjoys biking, conversation, movies, theater, concerts, skating, walking, travel, more. Seeking attractive, youthful male, 45-56, 5'11"+, N/S, N/D. **870717**

SBF, 84, CAPRICORN, N/S, seeks interested BF, 40-49, N/S, to hang out with, cook with, go to the movies, hang out. **867006**

AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALE, 45, seeking buddy, 45-65, to share life's small treasures, be happy, enjoy quiet times, movies, walks, the park, concerts, the water, possible LTR. **867634**

VOLUPTUOUS BF, 51, independent, loving, seeking SM, 45-60, similar characteristics, strong, military, security type, for monogamous relationship, movies, dancing, travel, more later. Northern Virginia. **844487**

SJPF, 39, INTELLIGENT, very attractive, slender, Republican. Seeking tall, fit, refined SPM, 38-52, financially secure, generous, emotionally stable, kind, easygoing, conservative values, for harmonious relationship leading to marriage/family. Maryland's suburbs. **810987**

RUSSIAN LADY, 35, attractive inside and out, fit, educated, ISO SWPM, 36-45, Sincerity and honesty a must. Reliable, established, ambitious, interested in LTR. **607135**

MAN IN UNIFORM. Attractive, energetic SBF, 30, 5'6", 120lbs, seeks honest, respectful, communicative SW/HM, 29-35, for friendship first, possible LTR. **349299**

LOVELY BCPF, MID-30S, 5'8", shapely, beautiful inside and out, classy, unpretentious, enjoys jazz, horseback riding, champagne, bubble baths, travel, romance. ISO tall, romantic BCPM, 34-48. **807503**

SBF, 39, N/S, 5'4", 130lbs, brown complexion, burgundy hair, RN, three children, enjoys movies, dining, quiet times, seeks woman, 29-50, for conversation, sharing special moments. **802729**

EDUCATED, PROFESSIONAL SAF, 57, seeks nice, intelligent, white gentleman, 57-65, with similar qualities. For LTR. **868605**

TALL, INDEPENDENT SWPF, 37, enjoys books, gardening, cats, horses, country drives, theater, music, festivals, exploring nature, variety and romance. **76826**

22-YEAR-OLD, SBF, 5'10", light complexion, curvaceous, attractive, recent college graduate, seeking SB/HM, 27-36, with similar interests, for companionship. **771602**

PROFESSIONAL, TALL, SLIM, vegan, real estate expert, swimming, biking. Seeking WIM, 35-50, with same interests. **752691**

INTELLIGENT, INDEPENDENT, TRUSTWORTHY SBF, 37, seeks down-to-earth, humorous, loving SWM, 28-40, who enjoys football, dining out, reading, movies, music and more. **742806**

SACF, 30, SCORPIO, seeks someone who is kind, sincerity and honesty a must, loving, good sense of humor, 30-40, for friendship, possible LTR. No games. **644865**

BLOND, OUTGOING SWPF, 37, 5'6", athletic, outdoors, attractive. Seeking SPM, 35-55, with similar interest. For friendship first possible LTR. **730510**

SINCERITY IS MOST important: DWF, 33, great sense of humor, seeks S/DWPM, 38-50, a friend and confidante, for possible LTR. **255090**

AFRICAN-AMERICAN SF, 27, Aries, N/S, educator, tall, athletic, seeks African-American S/DWM, 24-37, N/S, for sharing fun, dinner, movies, sporting events. **727939**

ATTRACTIVE, INTELLIGENT SPF, 35, 5'4", slender, brown/green, enjoys art, playing piano, traveling, trying new things. Seeking handsome, tall, kind, honest SWPM, 30-40, N/S, for LTR. **723814**

SBF, 24, LOVES to play basketball, pool and watch other sports. Seeking a man to keep active and sharp with. **8718063**

CLASSY, FULL-FIGURED SBF, 27, seeks mature, handsome, down-to-earth SBM, w/sense of humor, 27-38, 225lbs+, 5'10"+, for friendship and enjoying activities. Dating first, possible LTR. **559393**

36-YEAR-OLD, AFRICAN-AMERICAN SF, 5'3", 150lbs, dark brown complexion, brown hair, no kids, laid-back, enjoys movies, plays, concerts, outdoor events, seeking gentleman, 35-40, with similar interests. **673648**

OUTGOING SBF, PRE-SCHOOL teacher interested in outdoor/nature activities, cultural/current events. **667109**

I'M EVERYWOMAN. COSMOPOLITAN SWPF, 36, curly long brown/blue, ISO financially secure, young-looking SWPM, 40-50, athletic build, who wants to share all life has to offer. **610019**

ATTRACTIVE SB MOM, 33, down-to-earth, caring, enjoys movies, dining, outdoors. Seeking honest, caring SM, 30-39, race open, for friendship first. **393133**

ATTRACTIVE, FUN-LOVING BPF, 35, seeks handsome, professional male, N/S, for LTR. **807562**

24-YEAR-OLD SBF, 5'6", 120lbs, medium complexion and a great personality. Looking for a S/DM 26-55. I travel often but would like someone I could in enjoy my free time with. **650047**

PROWLING CARIBBEAN WOMAN. SBF, 32, enjoys dancing, movies, play wrestling, holding hands and cuddling. Seeking loving, independent, honest, romantic, non-smoking SM, 32-40. **646068**

EDUCATED, WORKING, 22-32, tall, 6'2"+, dark SM sought, must enjoy dancing, good communication. **653471**

AFRICAN LADY, SBF, 32, 5'9", looking for SM, 40+, race open, for long-term relationship. No games please. **610855**

TALL, BEAUTIFUL, BLACK, plus-sized professional female, 32, ISO tall professional male, 32-40, for dating. **640310**

B/AF, 38, SEEKS LTR. 5'2", size 16, wears it well. One child. Likes movies, comedy, walking, and sports events. Seeking tall, dark, strong, kind, honest man. **548897**

SBF, 39, PISCES, N/S, seeks BM, 39-49, N/S, who is professional, and is honest. For a very serious relationship. **407432**

VIBRANT, FULL-FIGURED SBF, 37, 6', enjoys theater, dining out, reading, and museums. Seeking SBM, 27-37, for LTR. Serious inquiries only, please. **513337**

VERY ATTRACTIVE, INTELLIGENT SWPF, 35, brown/green, enjoys art, music, playing piano and trying new things. Seeking tall, handsome, kind SWPM, for LTR, family. **488208**

COOL WORLD. GREAT-LOOKING SB Taurus, 36, is passionate, loving, kind and looking for the same in a great guy. **473074**

SBP MOTHER, 35, N/S, is attractive, classy, honest, athletic, and seeking SBM, 38-45, who is secure, established, spiritual and honest. **472850**

VERY OUTGOING SBF, 34, 5'3", 145lbs, fit, in search of sincere, kind gentleman, 29-39. I have too many interests to list here; call, we'll talk! **469865**

SASSY SPF, 37, N/S, enjoys working out, movies, travel, reading. Seeking mature SPM, N/S, N/Drugs, with similar interests, to enjoy life with. **439614**

ARE YOU the honorable, articulate, handsome, SBPM, 5'10+, 35-40, for this opinionated, outgoing, attractive, SBPF 38? Lets find out. **412913**

ATTRACTIVE BF, 30, in search of a WM, 31-39, for LTR. Must love children. If you're that person, give me a call. **389565**

SF, 34, LIKES playing pool, biking, dining out, movies, clubs, quiet times at home. Seeking mature SM, 33-40, ready to be in a serious relationship. **379878**

ATTRACTIVE SBF, 33, 5'11", medium build, enjoys music, dancing, movies, travel, sports. Seeking tall SBM, 30-40, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. **344223**

Men Seeking Women

SBM, 30, WITH a good education, is new to the area, and is looking for a woman to be his inspiration. **856133**

SBM, 32, 5'8", 130lbs, is interested in sports, working with children, and is looking for a woman to talk to and get to know. **856535**

SM, 22, 5'6", 165lbs, tattooed, works a lot, seeks SF, 18-40, to share all life has to offer. **856014**

SM, 44, FATHER, family-oriented, would like to meet a female, 35-50, who enjoys movies, plays, quiet times at home. **855862**

SWM, 20, GEMINI, smoker, likes nature, walks, travel, fine dining, movies. Seeking outgoing, communication-minded SWF, 18-35, who is ready to settle down. **851393**

SBM, 37, 6'1", 255lbs, Sagittarius, N/S, seeks SWF, 25-36, N/S, who enjoys reading, movies, dining out, travel, for friendship and more. **852588**

SBM, 22, LEO, N/S, likes reading, movies, dining out, travel, sports. Seeking outgoing, caring woman, 18-40, with similar interests, for friendship and more. **855217**

KIND-HEARTED, PEACEFUL SBM, 36, looking to meet a sweet, sexy lady to share friendship, affection, dating and possible LTR. **847835**

SBM, 38, 5'10", 180lbs, brown complexion, independent, enjoys poetry reading/writing, dining, quiet times, romance. Seeking drama-free SF, fun-loving and open-minded, for happiness and love. **848221**

SM, 34, EMPLOYED, looking to meet a pretty, active lady who enjoys sports, walks, good conversation, romance and simple pleasures. **848938**

SBM, 49, 5'11", Gemini, smoker, drives tractor trailers, seeks down-to-earth SBF, 35-39, for movies, quiet moments in the park, for friendship, possible LTR. **842985**

ATHLETIC BM, 6'1", looking for down-to-earth female, 20-47, who likes laughing, music, for true love. **868801**

SBM, 24, SMOKER, 5'8", brown complexion, medium build, tattoos, works as security guard, full moustache, blonde, seeks woman, 19-53, with similar interests. **868749**

ROMANTIC, QUIET DHM, 38, 6', 175lbs, N/S, artistic type, likes museums, movies, restaurants. Seeking caring, attractive SW/HF, 25-35, to snuggle into LTR. Single mom ok. **806656**

SBM, 21, CAPRICORN, N/S, 5'11", 155lbs, brown complexion, seeks attractive, intelligent SAF, 18-40, for dating. **867031**

GREAT HUGGER, SENSITIVE, caring, loved by children and dogs, spontaneous, non-traditional. Wanted: travel companions, good conversationalist, good sense humorous, who's inner child wants to play. **864994**

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SHPM, 38, 5'5", foreign language teacher, enjoys movies, travel, music, arts. Seeking female, 28-33, romantic, slim, honest. **853181**

ATHLETIC SWM, 21, just out of military into weightlifting. Seeking woman, 21-25, 5'2"-5'10", thin build, very attractive, athletic, who likes movies, car trips, beaches. **832196**

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SBCM, 37, 6'1", handsome, kind, thoughtful, a gentleman. Seeking SBCF, 34-39, N/S, who's kind, caring, sincere. Possible LTR. **464896**

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MALE, 34, LEO, N/S, enjoys reading, the gym, the outdoors, the indoors, seeks compatible woman, 30-40, for dating possible relationship. **741174**

ARAB-AMERICAN MALE, HANDSOME, 30, polite, educated, muscular, brown/brown. Seeking Arabophile or curious woman for open-minded relationship. Body type, race, religion not important. **661232**

SWMM, 31, 5'10", athletic build, Aries, N/S, loves camping in the mountains, plays soccer. Seeking WF, 23-33, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. **662914**

HONEST, ROMANTIC, WELL-TRAVELED, kind WM, 31, 6'4", brown/blue, into travel, photography, animals, the outdoors. Seeking a lady, 18-39, for dating, possibly leading to LTR. **439563**

COLLEGE GRAD, SBM, mixed heritage 34, 5'10". Seeking childless progressive woman, 22-35. **962971**

ROMANTIC SBM, 36, 5'8", Gemini, N/S, enjoys lifting weights, church, having fun, the beach, seeks woman, 30-40, N/S, similar interests. **843879**

HANDSOME SBM, 32, 5'10", 173lbs, caramel complexion, ambitious, no children, well-educated, humorous. Seeking attractive, shapely, intelligent SF, 23-32, with great personality for companionship. **824057**

SM, 38, 5'11", wants to meet a woman who shares his love of movies, jazz clubs, bowling, all outdoor fun, and romance. **825520**

SBM, 35, WORKS as a carpenter, and would love to meet a woman for fun, games, and conversation. **757502**

SBM, 22, COLLEGE student (studying engineering), country boy at heart, Taurus, smoker, seeks BF, 18-29, N/S, full-figured. **746951**

SHM, 31, 5'9", 175lbs, hardworking. Seeking female who likes travel, tennis, dancing, and more. For LTR. **520944**

ACTIVE YET LAID-BACK SWM, young-looking 39, N/S, loves outdoor activities, dining, travel, seeks SAF, 30-39, N/S, to share walks, conversation, friendship, maybe more? **6561840**

SWMM, 21, PISCES, N/S, enjoys movies, listening to music. Seeking SBF, 20-30, N/S, for possible LTR. **113226**

SWPM, 30, 6', easygoing, intelligent, honest, sense of humor, enjoys travel, fitness, comedy, movies. ISO nice, intelligent SF, 22-32, for friendship, possible LTR. **963007**

DOWN-TO-EARTH, SENSITIVE SM, with good personality, fun to be with, seeks SF to share my time with. **853252**

SBM, 27, 6'1", 210lbs, Aries, N/S, enjoys reading, movies, music, sports, dancing. Seeking outgoing SBF, 21-30, N/S, with similar interests. I'm a great catch. **848132**

SWMM, 19, 5'10", 180lbs, brown/green, is into anything that's fun, and is looking for the right woman to share all life has to offer. **845988**

SBM, 18, YOUNG and wise, seeks an intelligent and profound Christian sister. SBF, 18-29, to grow with friendship-wise, possibly more. **842716**

SM, 6', 200LBS, seeking serious-minded SF, 30-40, who does not play games, for dating, possible relationship. **868307**

SBM, 22, 6', with a warm heart, wishes to meet a woman who wants to be held, cuddled and loved. **773510**

SBM, 20, FATHER, 6'2", 160lbs, seeks woman, 18-28, for friendship for now. Fun times, conversation, good humor. **812025**

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SBPM, 35, 6'3", with a caramel complexion and a football player's build, seeks a woman who stays active. **649443**

SBM, 30, SMOKER, HIV+ is searching for a special SW/BF, 20-45, HIV+, to share quiet times at home and conversation, hopefully leading to a LTR. **959495**

SBM, 33, CANCER, N/S, seeks honest, sincere, hardworking SBF, 22-30, N/S, has goals and aspirations in life, has fun, friends first. **834357**

SM, LIKES SPORTS, jogging, movies. Seeking SF, 27-40, race open, for friendship, possibly more. **834335**

LOOKS ARE UNIMPORTANT. SBM, 37, looking for SBF, 37-42, for dating, and possible LTR. Prefer full-figured ladies. **828894**

SM, 32, WANTS to meet a woman who loves being outdoors, seeing new places, shopping and just being with a great guy. **825511**

SBM, 31, 5'10", 186lbs, N/S, self-employed, seeks older woman, 30-55, N/S, possible relationship. **822743**

MIDWESTERN GENTLEMAN SEEKS Local Guide. Eclectic, artistic, engineer seeks history minded S/DWF, 22-29, for fun in D.C. Area. Friends first, LTR to follow. **821291**

ATTRACTIVE, HUMOROUS HM, 23, 6', 180lbs, seeks attractive, petite SF, 18-28, for friendship first, possible LTR. **818487**

SOUND INTERESTING? WM, 30, looking for older lady, 45-65, who likes laughing, dinners in, movies at home, and just having fun! **831630**

SBM, 6'3", **WORKS** out often, enjoys playing music. Would enjoy meeting an intelligent, attractive, well-rounded, spiritually/mentally fit female, 24-45, for a quality dating experience. **818558**

PROFESSIONAL SBM, 38, 5'10", handsome, romantic, honest, can cook a great meal, seeks SBF, 22-38, N/S, for LTR. **816366**

Men Seeking Men

SBM, 18, 5'11", 150lbs, N/S, seeks nice, easygoing BM, 18-20, N/S, to talk to and get to know. Give me a call. **823408**

SBM, 36, BLOND/BLUE, 210lbs, seeking SM, who is athletic, fit, and to which football, cooking and music sound like fun. **868272**

SBM, 23, DARK skin, hazel eyes, attractive, 6', 180lbs, very intelligent, congenial personality, looking to meet someone w/similar interests. **804724**

SBM, 34, LOVES to read good books, listen to rap and old-school music. Seeking a woman to meet and get to know over dinner. **760316**

SBPM, 38, 5'10", enjoys seafood, nights out/in, good company. Seeking SBM, 30-40, N/S, drug-free, who enjoys movies, dining and the simple pleasures. Friendship first. **858786**

GWPM, 38, 6'5", 180lbs, educated, enjoys classic cars, travel, dining out, custom-made clothing, finer things in life, seeking committed relationship with SWM, 35-65. **479008**

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Women Seeking Women

SBF, 21, WANTS to meet a woman for going out to clubs or the movies, or just hanging around at home. **865173**

SBF, 24, IS in search of a woman, 19-36, for fun times, partying, friendship and more with time. **865081**

SBF, 22, 5'5", N/S, 120lbs, dark brown complexion/eyes, works construction, enjoys dining, dancing, movies, bowling, traveling, romance, seeks honest, faithful, respectful woman, 25-27, for romance. **849301**

LAID-BACK DBF, 19, Taurus, N/S, 5'6", full-figured, dark complexion, curvaceous, shoulder-length hair, seeks woman, 19-26, down-to-earth, laid-back, sensible, directed. **845486**

36-YEAR-OLD, BLACK-JAMAICAN, FULL-FIGURED lesbian, nurse, homeowner, independent, seeks black lesbian, 37-48, N/S, who is serious about a relationship, DC area. **622526**

HELLO LADIES. ATTRACTIVE, feminine GBF, 33, N/S, 5'9", honey complexion, no kids, fit, seeks attractive, intelligent, feminine GBF, 35-45, N/S, spiritual, not shallow, not materialistic. **624586**

ATTRACTIVE SBF, CAMEL skin, 5'6", 160lbs, feminine, good sense of humor, seeks SBF, 30-42, honest, smoking ok, for friendship or more. **417605**

ONE FINE STUD. SBF, 29, Capricorn, N/S, seeks BF, 24-41. There is no need to search anymore. I am the one you are looking for. **837898**

You Caught My Eye

TO ASIAN GUY (#16 Scott Street/Columbia Pike 7:40AM, last cars Yellow, first car Green). Shy GWM who shared eye-contact for past year is now ORANGE. **707392**

KENNEDY CENTER, 12/23, 1:30, concert hall lobby. You: beautiful strawberry-blond, alto, first row, 3rd from right, black dress, I was in the lobby, exchanging glances. **863595**

DICK'S SPORTING GOOD'S, Manassas, 12/20/03, shopping with kids. Asked if you were seeing someone, said you're widowed. This divorcee would really like to talk to you again. Please call. **859045**

DEBORAH IS A beautiful name - in your case, it is a huge understatement. Happy holidays. **855504**

MONDAY, 12/16, 11:30AM. NVCC, Little River Turnpike entrance, Jetta Jetta, beautiful brunette on phone made this Mercedes driver do triple take. Turn around; missed you. **848187**

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HOMETOWN HERO: Texas native Roger Clemens followed former Yankee pitcher Andy Pettitte from New York to Houston.

Change-up: 'Rocket' Lands in Houston

Clemens halts planned retirement, signs deal to pitch for the Astros

PRO BASEBALL | Roger Clemens is pushing back his retirement, agreeing Monday to a \$5 million, one-year contract with the Houston Astros.

The six-time Cy Young Award winner had said for more than a year that he planned to quit after pitching last season for the New York Yankees.

But he was persuaded to join the Astros, his hometown team, after close friend and former Yankees teammate Andy Pettitte signed with Houston last month.

"It's great to come home," Clemens said.

Clemens, 41, was 17-9 with a 3.91 ERA last season, his fifth with the Yankees. He spent his first 13 seasons in Boston, then went to Toronto for two years before moving on to New York, where he won World Series titles in 1999 and 2000.

"Roger Clemens was a great war-

rior for the Yankees — a teacher and a leader," Yankees owner George Steinbrenner said in a statement. "He told the world he was retiring, and we had no choice but to believe him."

His 310-160 record puts him 17th on the career wins list, and his 4,099 strikeouts place him third behind Nolan Ryan (5,714) and Steve Carlton (4,136).

MICHAEL A. LUTZ (AP)

Pit stop: Thomas Boswell discusses what Roger Clemens's signing means for the Astros | Today's Post, Sports

Marino Becomes Big Fish in Miami

Legendary quarterback returns to Dolphins as team's personnel chief

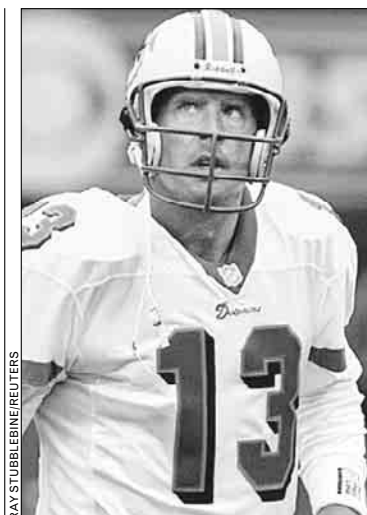
PRO FOOTBALL | Dan Marino returned to the Miami Dolphins as senior vice president of football operations Monday, a surprising move that gives the team a popular if inexperienced boss.

From 1983 to 1999, Marino was a record-setting quarterback and the last to lead the Dolphins to a Super Bowl. But there had been no indication of his interest in the job while owner Wayne Huizenga and team president Eddie Jones interviewed seven candidates in 10 days.

One of those candidates, Rick Spielman, was promoted from vice president to general manager Monday.

Huizenga said getting Marino the Super Bowl ring he never won as a player was his "side agenda" in making the decision to woo the quarterback back to the franchise.

Marino, who has been working as an NFL TV analyst for CBS and



Former Dolphin Dan Marino rejoined the team as an executive on Monday.

HBO, will fill a job created when head coach Dave Wannstedt was stripped of control over personnel decisions. The Dolphins went 10-6 to miss the playoffs in consecutive seasons for the first time since 1988-89.

Marino said he enjoyed television work, but never stopped being "a football guy."

"To me, I'm back home again," he said. STEVEN WINE (AP)

Grimm a Finalist For Chicago Job

PRO FOOTBALL | Pittsburgh Steelers offensive line coach Russ Grimm and St. Louis Rams defensive coordinator Lovie Smith are two of the finalists for the Chicago Bears' head coaching job.

Grimm visited Halas Hall on

Monday and Smith, who was interviewed earlier by general manager Jerry Angelo, was scheduled to visit the team complex Tuesday.

The Bears also have interviewed Romeo Crennel, the New England Patriots' defensive coordinator.

Neither Grimm, a standout lineman with the Washington Redskins, or Smith has head coaching experience. (AP)

Boucher An Unlikely Record Setter

Goaltender was nearly traded before earning 5 consecutive shutouts

PRO HOCKEY | Just a few months ago, nobody wanted Brian Boucher.

The Phoenix Coyotes risked losing their third-string goalie on waivers — and not a single team claimed him. Then the Coyotes tried to trade him — to no avail.

Suddenly, he is Brian the Unbeatable, breaking two 55-year-old NHL records with five consecutive shutouts and 332 minutes, 1 second without allowing a goal.

"Let's put it this way," Boucher said. "If I can do it, anybody can do it."



Brian Boucher makes a save against the Capitals, a shutout victim on Jan. 7.

He had 146 saves in a row before Randy Robitaille's shot glanced off Phoenix defenseman David Tanabe's chest and into the net 6 minutes, 16 seconds into Sunday night's 1-1 tie with the Atlanta Thrashers.

There was no way Boucher could react in time to block it.

Serious hockey fans understand the magnitude of the records, which are comparable to Orel Hershisier's string of 59 consecutive shutout innings in baseball.

Even though Boucher tried to play down his achievement, Thrashers goalie Byron Dafoe figures the new marks won't be broken in their lifetimes.

And Dafoe is hardly the only colleague impressed by Boucher's streak. "It's insane, to be honest with you," Detroit goalie Manny Legace said. "It's phenomenal. It's tough just to get one. I've had one in the past two years, and I play on a pretty good team." BOB BAUM (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

PRO BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on Comcast) Former Maryland star Steve Francis leads the Houston Rockets into town to play the Washington Wizards.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on ESPN) Iowa and Minnesota play in a game featuring Big 10 rivals.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (8 p.m. on

ESPN2) Top 20 teams Wake Forest and Texas square off in a nonconference game in the lone star state.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (9 p.m. on ESPN) Undefeated Mississippi State, on top of the SEC West, hosts Kentucky, which is off to a 10-1 start on the season.



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DANCE REVOLUTION: Instructor Lua Fabbri, left, and students practice capoeira.

Martial Artform

DANCE | A centuries-old Brazilian dance that combines martial arts with the pulse and energy of a carnival party is sweeping U.S. fitness centers.

It's called "capoeira" (cap-WAY-rah), and it's popping up in gyms from the trendy — Crunch in New York City — to the public — the Parks and Rec in Provo, Utah.

The first 20 minutes typically consist of calisthenics. The teacher, called the "mestre," then demonstrates a new skill, such as a kick-and-duck or a cartwheel. After a half-hour or so of practice, the class transforms the energy of the aerobics room into a vibrant and stirring pulse.

The class forms a circle, called the roda (HO-da), and beats drums native to Brazil. The teacher plays a stringed instrument called the

berimbau and belts out songs in Portuguese that have easy-to-imitate refrains. The lyrics give verbal directions, praise and reprimands to two people who then spar inside the circle.

On a December day at a Beyond Fitness gym in Durham, N.C., two people lock eyes and crouch at the opening of the roda. They clasp hands and stir under the infectious music. Then they release their arm-wrestle grip and hurtle themselves toward the center of the circle.

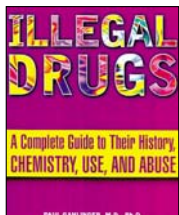
"We don't fight capoeira, we play capoeira," said instructor Lua Fabbri. "The slaves in Bahia (a region of Brazil) who created it were forbidden to fight. It's a martial art that's disguised as a dance, so to fight capoeira would be to lose its essence." **HOLLY HICKMAN (AP)**



Should have worn those retainers: Just when you thought you were safe, braces aren't just for kids anymore. In today's Washington Post, Health section.



BOOK REPORT



Illegal Drugs: A Complete Guide to Their History, Chemistry, Use and Abuse by Paul Gahlinger (Plume, \$20)

Packed tighter than a drug smuggler's body cavities, this deeply informative volume covers the war on drugs, employee drug testing and psychoactive drugs' actions on the brain. And that's all before the main attraction: chapters on illegal drugs and drug groups, from amphetamines to peyote.

→ Practicalities

A list of legal psychoactive drugs reveals that the DEA can't nail you for chewing betel nuts or eating copious amounts of nutmeg — though the latter results in the sleepless stupor of "nutmeg narcosis."

→ Author Cred

The M.D. and University of Utah prof is also a certified Medical Review Officer, which means he can officially interpret workplace drug-test results.

→ Bottom Line

This is not a how-to manual. You'll be a wary and well-educated consumer afterward, however. (EXPRESS)

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2004's gadget crop includes monster TVs and weensy cameras

ELECTRONICS | When it comes to televisions, bigger is better. But for most other gadgets, thin is in. That's the consensus of electronics manufacturers and industry analysts in Las Vegas for the annual Consumer Electronics Show last week.

Rushing into the lucrative TV market are PC makers such as Hewlett-Packard and Gateway. Many are unveiling models taller than most of the people who watch them. Samsung introduced an 80-inch plasma TV, the world's largest flat-panel home television, which is expected to debut next year. Pricing remains up in the air but such sets will cost in the tens of thousands of dollars.

Best known for its printers, Epson introduced a pair of LCD projection televisions with built-in memory card slots, printer and a CD-rewritable drive so users can archive their photos to a CD by simply working the remote control. Slated to ship in March, Epson's 47-inch model will sell for about \$3,499; the 57-inch model, \$3,999.

Other TVs on the 1.4-million-square foot trade show floor include Sharp's Aquos, a 15-inch LCD with Wi-Fi connectivity, which allows users to tote the TV from room

New Arrivals

The annual Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas last week debuted the latest technological toys for the everyday user. Themes included in-home connectivity for media, new twists on the old TV and smaller personal devices with more memory.



PHILIPS ELECTRONICS
MIRAVISION MIRROR TV

A 17-inch, 23-inch or 30-inch LCD display, and the screen is set in a polarized mirror.



SHARP AQUOS

A 15-inch LCD with Wi-Fi connectivity and a user-friendly handle to tote the TV from room to room.

SONY HI-MD

A Mini-disc Walkman holds 45 hours of music on new 1-gigabyte discs, up from the current 80 minutes.



ROKU SOUNDBRIDGE M1000

A networked music player that's a little bigger than the core of a paper towel roll.



PHILIPS KEY019

This digital camcorder, about the size of a Pez dispenser, contains a 1.5-gigabyte hard drive that can store photographs, MP3s or up to 24 minutes of video.

to room like a laptop computer. The battery-operated set will retail for \$1,800 when shipped in February.

One TV manufacturer is even angling to replace the mirror. Philips Electronics' MiraVision Mirror TV comes in a 17-inch, 23-inch or 30-inch LCD display, and the screen is set in a polarized mirror. Users can theoretically enjoy morning news shows and traffic reports while brushing their teeth or shaving.

While televisions assume larger-than-life proportions, other gadgets are growing more powerful but shrinking in size. Philips introduced a digital camcorder the size of a key ring, including a 1.5-gigabyte hard drive that can store up to 24 minutes of video. The device, roughly the size of a Pez candy dispenser, can also hold digital photos or MP3 songs.

Lexar Media unveiled the JumpDrive Traveler, a flash drive the size of a pack of gum. Meant to be used in Internet cafes, student computer libraries or on any computer away from your home or office, the JumpDrive erases all traces of your Web browsing history, including credit card numbers or other data that you entered into the host computer.

It will hit store shelves later this month for \$60 for the 128-MB version, or \$90 for the 256-MB version.

ELLIOT SPAGAT (AP)



LIVE ONLINE

Fast Forward

ROB PEGORARO's column appears Sundays in The Washington Post. He chats every other Monday at 2 p.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline.

What was the most impressive new "killer app" at the 2004 Consumer Electronics Show?

The wireless media receiver. *Everybody* is getting into this market, trying to find an easy, cheap way for you to enjoy your computer's store of music and pictures on your home theater. The idea is to let your stereo and TV join a wireless network, on which the PC then shares MP3s and JPEGs.

Will prices for the iPod fall?

Well, the new mini model now goes for \$250. Of the two lines of hardware, I expect the mini to get a price cut in the next year, not its big brother. \$50 just doesn't seem like a lot of daylight between these different series of players, and I'd imagine that Apple will ultimately want a clearer distinction.



The cheaper iPod mini was introduced in January at the Macworld Expo.

The backstory

The Consumer Electronics Show was a reminder of how today's mother lode of gadgets are, by and large, repackagings of a much smaller number of basic underlying technologies. Some unsung heroes:

→ **THE RF SPECTRUM:** The radio-frequency spectrum hosts WiFi networks, cell phone calls and more. CES saw the unveiling of the first products for U.S. digital radio, which will make AM radio sound like FM and FM sound like a CD.

→ **COMPRESSION:** The science of squeezing out unneeded information in a picture or sound. If teenagers knew how crucial algorithms like "discrete cosine transforms" were to their MP3s and cell phones, they'd be busting down doors to study math.

→ **CHARGED-COUPLE DEVICES:** You can't have a digital camera without one. A CCD takes light — photons — and converts it to electrons, which can be processed and stored as an image. The term "megapixels" refers to a CCD's resolution.

→ **LASERS, RED AND BLUE:** DVDs and CDs are the laser's greatest hits; all the ones you own now use a red laser. CES saw the first drives that use blue lasers, which can squeeze four or so times as much data onto a single disk. LEE GOMES (WSJ)

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Sacred Syncopation

A new book shows Cuban music to be as much ritual as sound

BOOKS | In 1996, American guitarist Ry Cooder went to Havana and gathered several prominent local musicians for a recording session that produced the highly successful album "Buena Vista Social Club."

Its popularity spawned bigger Cuban music sections in record stores and cultural expeditions to the island. This resurgence of interest was welcomed by a country desperate for tourist dollars.

In the four decades since Castro came to power, little of mainstream America has bothered (or been able) to follow the musical developments of Cuba. Jory Farr fills in the gaps with "Rites of Rhythm: The Music of Cuba" (ReganBooks), a thorough account of the history and current state of Cuban music, and a meticulous documentation of the ritual-based cultures and religions associated with many of Cuba's musicians.

Though Farr gives firsthand accounts of sacred ceremonies complete with animal sacrifice and possession, he is careful not to let his experiences become the



RUM, RHYTHM AND RITUAL: The Buena Vista Social Club, perhaps Cuba's most famous musical export, gets busy onstage.

book, instead using them to paint a larger picture.

The heroes of "Rites of Rhythm" are the musicians of Cuba. Their heartbreaking stories, usually told with a glass of rum in hand, will captivate readers interested in Cuban history and culture, as well as in music. The book comes alive with their insights.

Farr also tracks down many Cuban musicians who have defected to the States and allows them to voice their opinions as well.

Roberto Borrell, who fled Cuba in the Mariel boatlift of 1980, is blunt: "Like all Cubans, I send my parents money. But I tell them the truth about America. [T]his culture is all about materialism. My

daughter wants to come here now, but I warn her that community does not exist here."

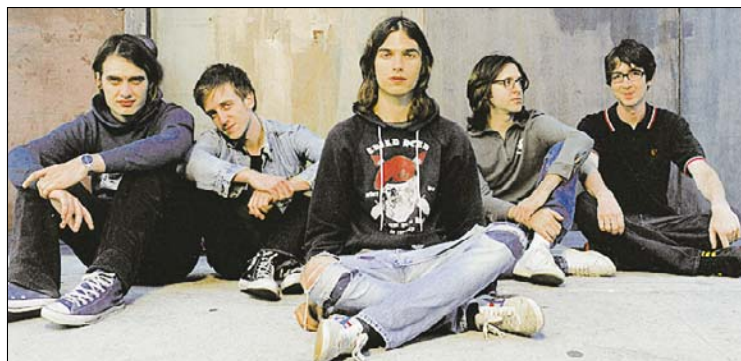
"Rites of Rhythm" is an honest and unforgiving documentation of Cuban music and its rich history, a thoroughly researched book that falls somewhere between travel memoir and ethnomusicological text.

JUSTIN FEINSTEIN (AP)

Planet's Final Frontier

MUSIC | It's clear right away that something is different on Phantom Planet's new self-titled album. It may be the drums. "The Happy Ending" opens with a menacing barrage of snare and tom-toms that couldn't have come from original drummer Jason Schwartzman (the lead actor in "Rushmore"), known more for his energy than his technique.

Schwartzman left last year to focus on his movie career. His successor, Jeff Conrad, gives an impressive performance behind the kit on "Phantom Planet" (Epic). Add to that, the band's sound has also evolved.



PRETTY ON THE INSIDE: Phantom Planet loses a celebrity but gains a new focus.

These songs are gritty rockers that teeter on the edge of glorious lo-fi chaos. The guitars are loud and

dirty, the lyrics laden with attitude and the riffs punchy, particularly the snaky hook to "1st Things 1st"

and the Cake-like guitar grind of "The Meantime."

Singer Alexander Greenwald sneers on "You're Not Welcome Here" and handles the loud-soft switches on "Knowitall" with a resigned dejection that makes him sound like a less bored version of the Strokes' Julian Casablancas.

Although the songs are noisy, producer Dave Fridmann keeps the instruments distinct and demonstrates his value by complementing the band's sound instead of overpowering it.

These new songs are too edgy to shore up teen-soap TV (Phantom Planet's plaintive early tune "California" is the theme song on Fox's "The O.C."), but that's merely another selling point. ERIC R.

DANTON (THE HARTFORD COURANT)

Today's Top Stops

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Lit Tricks:

Paul Auster Reading

A mysterious blue notebook begins to control the life of the writer who buys it in "Oracle Night," Paul Auster's latest novel. Fortunately, Auster himself is in complete control of his own narrative throughout this confounding literary puzzle; he reads from and signs the book tonight.

Politics & Prose, 5015 Connecticut Avenue NW; 7 p.m., free; 202-364-1919. (Tenleytown)

Jazz Showstopper: Rachelle Ferrell

Philly girl Rachelle Ferrell made her mark the easy way — with contemporary urban pop — but this musician-arranger-composer-vocalist-lyricist is a serious jazz singer and pianist at heart, having worked with the likes of Dizzy Gillespie, George Duke, Quincy Jones and other high-end players. Through Jan. 18.

Blues Alley, 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 8 and 10 p.m., \$45; 202-337-4141.



In her music, Rachelle Ferrell has six octaves and many genres to play with.

The Real OutCasts: Les Yeux Noirs

The eight-piece French outfit Les Yeux Noirs look to Eastern Europe's lively cultures — Jews and gypsies — for musical inspiration. They play busy klezmer with a modern vibrancy, and can keep up with the most raucous gypsy dances, even far from the painted wagons and evening bonfires.

Kennedy Center, Millennium Stage, 2700 F St. NW; 6 p.m., free; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom)

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Entertainment

Amazing Simulation

DVD | It looks like "The Matrix" but smells like another one of those so-so horror flicks about vampires and werewolves locked in a centuries-long blood feud.

In "Underworld" (Columbia TriStar) Kate Beckinsale takes an unusual turn toward lone-wolf action hero as a vampire warrior who stumbles into a conspiracy between her own kind (chic, sleek



FANGS A LOT: Stop, or my undead bloodsucking girlfriend will shoot.

bloodsuckers) and their werewolf enemies.

In audio commentary, director Len Wiseman, screenwriter Danny McBride and story co-writer Kevin Grevioux provide a fairly engaging glimpse at how the tale evolved.

A separate commentary track with some of the technical crew, along with featurettes on visual effects and stunts, offer background on how the filmmakers stole, er, lovingly reproduced the dark style and slow-motion action of "The Matrix."

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

Today's Top Stops

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Fine Pointe: Royal Danish Ballet

4 The rigorously classical, ravishingly beautiful "Bournonville style" will be on display when the Royal Danish Ballet presents two signature works — "La Sylphide" and "Napoli," — and "Etudes" by Harald Lander.



Mads Blangstrup as the delusional James with Rose Gad in "La Sylphide."

Through Jan. 18.

Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; tonight's performance 7:30 p.m., \$32-\$92; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom)

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Television

This Sitcom Hit for Sale

INDUSTRY | If it were a made-for-TV movie, it might be called “Invasion of the Advertisers.”

With audiences for network television shrinking, and more viewers zapping through commercials on recorded TV, some of the industry’s most powerful advertisers are securing roles for their products inside prime-time sitcoms and dramas, once considered off limits for such overt promotions.

Forms of product placement have been around almost as long as TV advertising itself, but the practice has not been widely seen on blue-chip scripted shows.

Recently, Ford Motor Co.’s vehicles have been featured on

“24” on Fox. A shiny orange Beetle convertible had a role in the WB’s teen superhero drama “Smallville” last year.

Familiar brands also pop up in prime time thanks to behind-the-scenes maneuverings of so-called product-placement shops. These discreet outfits maintain close ties with prop masters, set designers and executives to get advertisers’ brands on TV’s hottest shows.

In June, AIM Productions Inc. got Unilever PLC’s Ragu Express an eye-catching role on CBS’s “Everybody Loves Raymond” and Rolling Rock beer onto NBC’s “Ed.” Another placement firm, Norm Marshal & Associates Inc., got the Xbox game machine onto CBS’s “Two and a Half Men” and helped arrange the ongoing appearances of General Motors Corp.’s Hummer H2 in episodes of CBS’s “CSI: Miami.”

BRIAN STEINBERG (WALL STREET JOURNAL)

ON TV TONIGHT

YOU BETTER WORK
AMERICA’S NEXT TOP MODEL (9 p.m., UPN) I have to give “Top Model” credit. It consistently makes me do something I’ve never done before: care about fashion models. I haven’t the slightest interest in high fashion. I have no time for the ridiculous clothes, the high-maintenance personalities and that headache-inducing runway music. But I find “Top Model” pretty addictive.

Tonight, we meet host Tyra Banks’s select group of 12 swans. High drama ensues when 21-year-old Jenascia oversleeps and almost misses their first photo shoot. Anna, a wife and mother from Georgia, refuses to pose clad only in glitter and paint next to a male model wearing nothing at all.

If there is a girl to watch, it’s Shandi, a tomboyish drugstore clerk from Kansas City. One of the other girls complains



DAVID M. RUSSELL/CBS

Potential top model Mercedes Scelba-Shorte in one of her old housedresses.

that her eyes are too close together, but I’m betting the camera will love Shandi. I’ll even endure hours of dreadful music to see that.

AND HERE’S MY PIXELATED BUTT
THE SIMPLE LIFE (8 p.m., Fox) Fox keeps milking this shameful series. Tonight, spoiled socialites Paris Hilton and

Nicole Richie return to their Arkansas hosts for a one-hour “reunion.” Look for about three seconds of original material padded out with flashbacks and outtakes.

RAMBLIN’ MEN
INDEPENDENT LENS (10:30 p.m., PBS) The documentary “Make ‘Em Dance” celebrates The Hackberry Ramblers, a pair of Cajun musicians (Luderin Darbone, 90, and Edwin Duhon, 93) who have been performing together for 70 years. Using archival clips and many interviews, “Dance” recalls radio’s infancy, when the Ramblers traveled the South in a 1928 Model A and played honky-tonks so rough that “they checked you if you were carrying a knife, and if you didn’t have one, they gave you one.”

CULT CHOICE
DR. STRANGELOVE (10:15 p.m., TCM) Peter Sellers plays three roles in director Stanley Kubrick’s 1964 satire, but George C. Scott steals the show. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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People

DIVAS

Faced With an Icky Trial, Diana Sang a New Song

There will be no trial for singer **DIANA ROSS** on drunken driving charges. During a pretrial hearing in Tucson City Court, Ross's lawyers said she is ready to accept a plea agreement and will change her earlier "not guilty" plea at a hearing on Feb. 9. The 59-year-old singer won't be required to appear in person next month. Instead, she is expected to appear "telephonically." (AP)



Are you there God? It's me, Amber. Thanks for the cool award!



AWARDS SHOWS

The People Have Spoken: 'We Have No Originality'

Tom Hanks was, of course, named favorite all-time entertainer at the 30th annual People's Choice Awards on Sunday, held at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium and broadcast live on CBS. A nationwide poll conducted by the Gallup Organization determined both the open-ended nominees and the winners. Fans also could vote on the Internet in three categories. They chose "Two and a Half Men" as the best new comedy series and the pious "Joan of Arcadia" as best new television drama (that's Joan herself, **AMBER TAMBLYN**). (AP)



JAPAN

Bride of Sumo

Former sumo wrestler **KONISHIKI**, left, and his wife, **CHIE IIJIMA**, held a press conference Monday to announce their marriage. A native of Hawaii, Konishiki was the first foreign-born sumo wrestler to attain the Japanese sport's second-highest rank of ozeki. He is now a television celebrity. (AP)



Frasier and the gang's days are numbered. Who or what will fill the void?

SITCOMS

Men Do Leave: Frasier Exits, Raymond Ponders Last Act

After some brief talk of keeping the show going for a 12th season, NBC said Monday that its five-time Emmy-winning comedy, "Frasier," will call it quits in May. In recent months star **KELSEY GRAMMER** had said he was open to continuing. Meanwhile, **RAY ROMANO** says he has no answer yet about how long "Everybody Loves Raymond" will continue. He told reporters at the People's Choice Awards on Sunday that before New Year's he thought this would be the last season, but then began to panic and reweigh his options. (AP)



DIVAS

Our Cultural Ambassador

Singer **MARIAH CAREY** is to perform in Beirut on Feb. 24 in her first appearance in the Arab world, Agence France-Presse reports. Part of Carey's "Charmbracelet" tour, the concert will be followed by one in Dubai on Feb. 26. (EXPRESS)



REALITY

Richard Hatch Is Back

Rudy, **RICHARD**, Tina and other favorite "Survivor" castaways are back for a rematch on the upcoming "Survivor: All-Stars" competition. The chosen 18, representing all seven of CBS's past "Survivor" seasons, were announced Monday. (AP)



HEARSAY | MATH



"My brother is innocent; he is 1,000 percent innocent."

—JERMAINE JACKSON

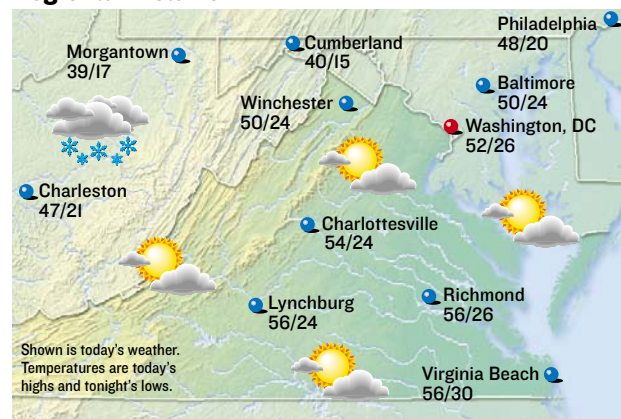
MICHAEL JACKSON'S FAMILY ANNOUNCED THAT HUNDREDS OF FANS FROM AROUND THE WORLD WILL CONVERGE ON SANTA MARIA, CALIF., FOR JACKSON'S ARRAIGNMENT FRIDAY.

WHO KNEW? Kelsey Grammer clinched a salary of \$1.6 million an episode in his last renewal, making him the highest-paid sitcom star ever — until Ray Romano surpassed him in May. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Partly sunny, windy, mild 52°	Partly cloudy, windy, turning colder 26°	Much colder, increasingly cloudy 32° / 24°	Snow early, then partly sunny 32° / 8°	Mostly sunny, windy, very cold 22° / 14°	Moderating temperatures 34° / 24°

Regional Weather



Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Mon.

Temperature

High	51°
Low	28°
Normal high	42°
Normal low	27°
Average humidity	53%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.47"
Normal month to date	1.26"
Year to date	0.47"
Last year to date	2.17"
Normal year to date	1.26"

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Regional Forecast

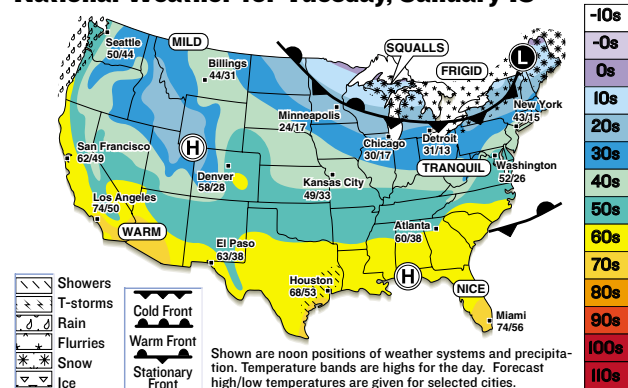
D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny, windy, mild. High 52. Wind west 15-30 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy, blustery, becoming much colder. Low 26.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 7:26 a.m.
Sunset tonight 5:07 p.m.
Moonrise today 11:25 p.m.
Moonset today 11:02 a.m.



National Weather for Tuesday, January 13



National Cities

City	Today Hi/Low/W	Wed. Hi/Low/W
Atlanta	60/38/pc	54/43/pc
Boston	34/3/pc	10/-2/s
Chicago	30/17/pc	34/18/sf
Dallas	65/49/c	65/47/c
Denver	58/28/s	56/26/pc
Honolulu	82/76/pc	84/68/pc
Los Angeles	74/50/c	72/50/pc
Miami	74/56/s	73/56/s
New York City	43/15/pc	21/11/pc
Orlando	70/44/s	70/48/pc
Seattle	50/44/sh	52/42/r

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Low/W	Wed. Hi/Low/W
Amsterdam	46/37/r	39/32/sn
Athens	57/47/r	63/52/pc
Berlin	37/32/sn	37/27/sn
Buenos Aires	91/66/s	86/61/pc
Calgary	47/32/pc	45/30/c
Dublin	48/37/c	42/32/c
Geneva	48/37/r	39/24/sn
Moscow	18/9/sn	17/5/sn
Rome	61/50/r	61/40/c
Sydney	85/62/pc	84/56/pc
Tokyo	51/29/pc	39/28/s

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

METRO WANTS TO EXTEND station names ("Metro Eyes Longer Names for Stations," Jan. 9). Why? Metro says it doesn't have enough money to operate and maintain the system. How much is it going to cost to change all of the signs? Is there a reason the names have to be so long?

Also, Metro now has to clean up its safety stickers that originally cost \$30,000 and everyone ignored ("Dot a Sore Spot for Metro," Jan. 12). Couldn't that \$30,000 have been used to repair escalators or add cars? How much is it going to cost to remove the stickers? Metro does not need to increase fares; they need to make better decisions.

—PATRICK FINES
Temple Hills, Md.

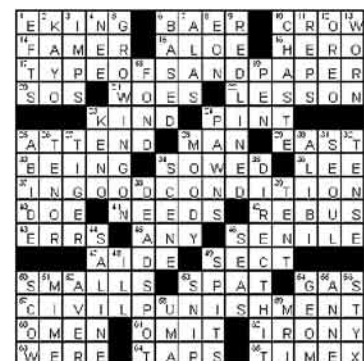
I WAS BORN AND RAISED in Philadelphia and their transit system may not be as ideal as D.C.'s, but it is definitely not cheaper ("Letters," Jan. 9-11). There is a \$2 minimum to board any bus or train in Philly and they charge you 60 cents for a transfer that can be used only to connect to lines that run perpendicular to the line you are on. Even with Metro's fare increase, it is still one of the best transit systems.

—SHEENA HENDON
Washington, D.C.

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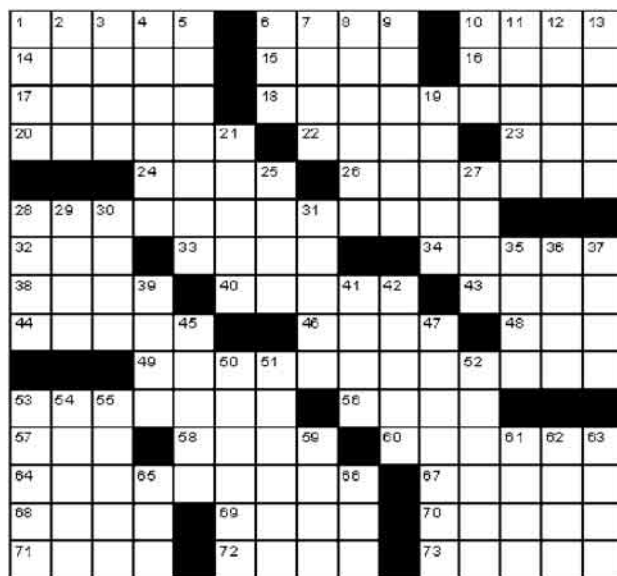
Yesterday's Solution



Crossword Puzzle: Undercover | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

- 1 Popular fishing spots
- 6 First movie appearance of 18-Across
- 10 Make a bundle
- 14 Office mgt.
- 15 Crucifix
- 16 Qom home
- 17 Metronome setting
- 18 M16 employee
- 20 Final authorities
- 22 Short race
- 23 West of Hollywood
- 24 Simians
- 26 "To reiterate..."
- 28 CONTROL employee
- 32 Miscalculate
- 33 Harvest
- 34 Skool, for one
- 38 Burn the surface of
- 40 Theme of this puzzle
- 43 Bargain type
- 44 19th U.S. president
- 46 World's fair, for short
- 48 Cul-de-____
- 49 Man from U.N.C.L.E.
- 53 Like rich desserts
- 56 Second-year student, briefly
- 57 William H. Bonney, "Billy the Kid"
- 58 Cans



- 60 Dojo's lesson
- 64 IMF director
- 67 Turkish jambalaya
- 68 Sword, Juno, Gold, Omaha and ____
- 69 Traditional knowledge
- 70 Put into law
- 71 Overly bookish sort
- 72 Eye sore

- 73 Word after the defense
- DOWN**
- 1 Light strokes
- 2 Cerebral achievement
- 3 Susan Flannery's 2003 award
- 4 Lumberyard fixture
- 5 Nosy Parker

- 6 Philadelphia 76ers legend
- 7 It has shoulders but no head
- 8 Polite turndown
- 9 Ukrainian port
- 10 Lobster eater's need
- 11 Bakery enticement
- 12 Hawaiian island
- 13 Ran its course

- 19 It might be stuffed or cuffed
- 21 Tennis ace Monica
- 25 Type of shot
- 27 Octagonal sign
- 28 Fit together
- 29 Geometry calculation
- 30 Picture of health?
- 31 Sales pitch
- 35 Not to mention
- 36 Use a signet
- 37 Border order, perhaps
- 39 Ashcroft's predecessor
- 41 Old flames
- 42 Hobgoblin
- 45 Vocalist Vaughan
- 47 Theoretically
- 50 Computer screen dots
- 51 Spotted wildcat
- 52 Sacred place
- 53 Spicy cuisine
- 54 "Go fly ____!"
- 55 University in Beaumont, Tex.
- 59 Nimble
- 61 "What a pity!"
- 62 Delicate use of words
- 63 Young newts
- 65 High degree
- 66 Understand

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope | Stella Wilder

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Even after such a long-term effort, you'll have to place a beloved project in the hands of the judges.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Trust those nearest you to keep you away from anything too dangerous. Even your neighbors have a stake in your security.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — You may be temporarily dazed as a result of a surprise encounter with someone who did not behave according to the rules.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You're in for a rocky time if you insist on coming face-to-face with someone who is very much opposed to your ideas.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Your timing is impeccable. Seek out difficult and tense situations that you know you can defuse. But don't be overzealous.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Are you willing to step forward and tell others what you know? Be prepared to face the consequences, and trust your instincts.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Someone may leave you unsettled, but you can be sure that it's all part of the plan. He or she has something big in mind.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Don't settle for anything less than the best. You may have to spend money to make money.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You may find

yourself agreeing with those who disagreed with you. Things are changing for the better.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Use care when dealing with youngsters; you'll want to encourage and guide, but you don't want to step in and do it all.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — You'll benefit from an important and timely revelation. What you do with the information is up to you — but timing is key.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Your passions may be inflamed by someone who doesn't know that certain topics are considered taboo around you.

LIVE ONLINE

Traveler Checks

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

JAY STANLEY, communications director of the Technology and Liberty Program at the American Civil Liberties Union, was online Monday to discuss the government's plans for a computerized system to probe the backgrounds of all passengers boarding flights in the United States.

Why does the ACLU oppose the government's plan?

We oppose the so-called CAPPS II program for several reasons: It will be a tremendous invasion of our privacy; it will put the government in the unprecedented position of rating every American who flies on whether they are "trusted" or not; and it will not make us safer.

What alternative does the government have besides asking for travel records on passengers, even if they don't retain them? The public won't tolerate another 9/11.

A fair question. Experience has shown that trying to catch wrongdoers by investigating everyone is a poor way to stop them. The U.S. should focus on improving its intelligence on the ground and improving physical security.

Most of the additional security that we've gained since 9/11 is probably due to improved security at the gate, locking cockpit doors, air marshals and to the fact that in the next hijacking, no one on the plane is going to sit back and wait to land in Cuba. The marginal improvement in security brought by this vast, unwieldy, intrusive system will not be worth it.

How can the public be confident that their personal data will not end up in the hands of the wrong people?

Right now, unfortunately, it is difficult to have such confidence. What is needed is a strong overarching privacy law. The U.S. is just about the only advanced-industrial nation that does not have that kind of a law.

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